



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO NEWS RELEASE

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## **RESCUED HORSES NEED NEW HOMES** *Two Neglected Horses Saved*

Two abandoned horses are ready to be placed into new homes after being seized by the County's Department of Animal Services and nursed back to health.

After an animal neglect investigation, officers seized the abandoned horses in the Ramona area on November 12<sup>th</sup>.

The horses will be sold to the highest **qualified** bidder in a sealed bid auction-style sale conducted by County Animal Services. Prospective adopters will need to complete and submit an application and bid by 5 p.m. on December 15 to participate. Applications will be available at the three Department of Animal Services' shelters in Carlsbad, Bonita, and Linda Vista, and on the department's Web site at [www.sddac.com](http://www.sddac.com). Additional information can be obtained by calling 760-966-3218.

"Our big concern is that these horses go to people who know how to care for them and want to care for them," said John Carlson, regional director of the Department of Animal Services in Carlsbad. "Fortunately, these horses only required very basic animal care and good food to bring them back to health, something not provided before they were rescued," he said.

The horses will be available for viewing at the Carlsbad shelter or photos on the web.

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